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### The Wrangell Drug Co.

Bill Jones, the son of a brewer, Met a girl and thought that he knew her. He lifted his hat, She hit him a bat, And he lit on his ear in the sewer.

There was a young girl in Nantacket, Had a bustle as big as a bucket. She filled it with oats, Then two old Billy goats Came right up behind her and took it.

That walk to connect Front Street and Stikine Avenue would have saved many a step and numerous "cuss words" from people who were compelled to get water from the government well during the cold snap. Look at the matter from a moral standpoint.

Capt. MacGregor of the Dirigo is reported by the Juneau Dispatch as saying that hundreds of geese are seen in Wrangell Narrows. They appeared to be numbed with the cold and made no attempt to keep out of the way.

Everybody could have water at their own doors if they would take SENTINEL's advice and sink wells. But—as long as the water barrels are full this is unnecessary, and when dry weather comes, why "rustle."

A telephone system can be put in here for \$1,000. Twenty subscribers at \$1.00 per month per instrument would pay twenty-four per cent interest on such an investment.

A cub reporter in Ketchikan the other day was sent to investigate a quarrel. This is what he wrote: "A man killed a dog belonging to another man. The son of the man whose dog was killed proceeded to whip the man who killed the dog of the man he was the son of. The man who was the son of the man whose dog was killed was arrested on complaint of the man who was assaulted by the son of the man whose dog the man was assaulted had killed."

Mrs. Nina Hadlan of Petersburg, was adjudged insane, this week, and was committed to the asylum at Mt. Tabor, Oregon, by Commissioner Snyder. Marshal Shoup took her down on the Ramona, together with another patient.

W. H. Richardson went over to Vank Island in a small boat during one of our windy days, got thoroughly wet, took a severe cold and was brought to town by Looker & Dunningberg just in time to escape a siege with lagrippe.

The word was received in Wrangell, Monday, that Mrs. Winters, who left here a short time ago for her home in Portland, died at that place last week after an operation for cancer of the stomach.

Carson & Denny have opened their saloon for business and as soon as their bar fixtures arrive and are installed, it will be as neat a little place as one could wish to see. It is called "The Mint."

The report comes in from Petersburg that our friend Louis Olsen takes an occasional plunge in the waters of the Narrows despite the cold weather and the fact that he can't swim.

Py Gott, Greif be's no fool! He has bought the Berg place on the Wrangell Heights, and will build a big reservoir for a private water system.

The stereopticon show at St. Philip's Church was well attended and highly enjoyed—especially by the youngsters. There was also a social.

Steve Chernoff and Fred Amundson came down from Port Arthur on the Ramona. They have been working for Capt. Hofstad.

Geo. Card has bought from J. Mantle the steamer Gleason, which will be used in connection with Mr. Card's steam logging outfit.

Jorgen Berg came up from below last week. He is interested in a new powder factory that is to be built near Ketchikan.

George Looker has been on the sick list for a week or two past, and was compelled to suspend logging operations for a time.

Will pay 50 cents to some person for killing one bitch and five pups. Inquire of Dr. DeVigbne.

A long distance telephone system has been installed between Skagway and Whitehorse.

Water has been selling at a dollar per barrel in Wrangell for over a week.

Walter Waters was laid up with a severe cold last week.

Harry Raymond was in town a day or two this week.

Mrs. Dort came in from the Narrows on the Ramona.

## WRANGELL HAS ANOTHER FIRE

Under the above "scare head" the Juneau Record-Miner publishes the following glowing account of our little fire of two weeks ago. It is dated at Wrangell, January 26:

"This town narrowly escaped being destroyed by fire this morning. A lively blaze was discovered in the Greif building and before it could be extinguished the fire had gained such headway that the whole town was threatened with destruction. A high wind was blowing, and this, coupled with a shortage of water, made fire fighting very difficult.

Everybody in town responded when the alarm was sounded. The fire which wiped out the town in March, 1906, was still fresh in the memory of residents, and all turned to with a will to prevent a repetition of that disaster.

The fire proved to be a very stubborn one, but after six hours of constant fighting it was at last subdued. The flames were almost entirely confined to the Greif building. Such other damage as was done was caused by sparks, which was the greatest danger to the rest of the town.

The Greif building was one of the oldest in the town. It was owned by Bruno Greif, who came to Wrangell nearly 40 years ago, and was used as a saloon and lodging house. It was one of the largest structures in the town, being about 40x100 feet and two stories high. Mr. Greif says he will rebuild at once.

The fire started from an overheated stove pipe on the lower floor. All the lumber in the building was as dry as tinder and the flames spread with great rapidity. No estimate of the loss has been made, but Mr. Greif will lose almost all of his stock and fixtures."

It seems that one must go away from home to learn the news. SENTINEL's impressions of this fire were about as follows: Fire was in St. Michael Trading Co. building; duration of fire, thirty minutes; damage, furniture burned and hole burned in roof, repaired same day; Greif came to Wrangell about 1896; fire started from a spot candle left burning in bedroom on second floor; loss estimated at about \$500.

According to Edw. Ludecke they had some cold weather over at the cannery last week—13 below zero for two mornings; and Lu's eyesight is good, even if he is the oldest man in Alaska.

An amateur dramatic club as a fixture to produce plays at stated intervals, is now talked of. Why not?

## DRAMA A SUCCESS

Shaun Aroon Staged by Wrangell Talent in a Pleasing Manner

To step into a little town, select performers from raw material, rehearse and produce a drama with success in two weeks requires some knowledge of the business. But that is exactly what was done by Prof. L. A. Hepburn, who, with local talent, produced the sparkling Irish comedy drama "Shaun Aroon" at Red Men's Hall, Saturday evening last, February 2.

The title role was played by Mr. L. G. Griffith, a young man of no mean ability who travels with Prof. Hepburn and assists him in his work. Mr. Griffith faithfully portrayed the jovial, light-hearted Irish "Bucko," who was always in the right place at the proper moment. In his passages with his "swathheart" Maggie, and in passing out the blarney, he proved himself a good interpreter of the character.

G. E. Rodman, as Lord Fermoy, acted the part excellently. Throughout the play the Lord was disguised as Bad Andy, an Irish tough, in order to discover the villainy of his racially agent, and his revelation at the end of the third act was received with hearty applause by the audience.

J. H. Hoeppel was "there with the goods" when it came to taking off the part of Dan O'Grady, the honest old farmer, around whose home the villain's net was laid. His rendition of the role showed the result of much painstaking study.

Mrs. J. G. Grant, as Mrs. O'Grady could not have been improved upon. She was the real motherly old Irish lady one would expect to see in real life on the "ould sod."

The role of Molly O'Grady was taken by Mrs. Oscar Carlson, and performed in a manner which elicited much favorable comment. Her manner of repelling the suit of the villain called forth much applause, and her final betrothal to Lord Fermoy made a happy ending.

For a genuine old shlock, Steve Grant could not have been beaten in his portrayal of "Old Hennings," the typical money lender. He was surely economy and greed personified, and his every appearance on the stage was the signal for tumultuous applause.

George McGee was right at home as "Pat," a servant, but his dislike for his master, Riordan, could be plainly seen throughout the performance. A vein of humor characterized his acting and added much to the comedy of the play. His work was well done.

Sergt. John Peary, as Tom, the Americanized son of Lan O'Grady, played his part in a pleasing manner. His tribute to America as a poor man's country brought down the house.

Dollie Case in the role of Maggie, a maid servant, portrayed the spit-fire colleen to a nicety. Her rough treatment of Riordan in the third act and her tantalizing manner toward "her Shaun" were done as true as life.

Will Snyder took the part of "Nipper," the detective, and was always on hand at the opportune moment.

Last, but not least, must be mentioned the Prof. Hepburn and his portrayal of the role of Fergus Riordan, the contemptible, cowardly, scheming cur. His manner of performing shows him to be master of the histrionic art. So well did he carry out his part that there was no time during the performance when he did not hold the contempt of the audience, and at the climaxes, when he was thumped around by Shaun, Andy and Maggie, and made to stand at the point of Henning's revolver, the audience was highly pleased. His work can not be improved upon.

From a financial standpoint the show was not a success, as the house was very poorly filled. The excellence of the performing and the great amount of work necessary to produce it is deserving of more recognition from our citizens. The stage has been enlarged to a good size, making it possible to properly stage a performance of this nature. We hope to see a crowded house at "Absence Makes the Heart Grow Fonder," Tuesday evening next.

## MARRIED AT LORING

Wrangell people were much surprised to learn of the marriage of Miss Lucinda McGee to Mr. Michael Wadding, which occurred at Loring one day last week. Rev. Chapman of Ketchikan officiating. The bride is well known in Wrangell where she has spent most of her life. Her many friends here wish the happy couple a long, happy life. A great deal of joy. A nice little home. And a fat, bouncing—turkey for Thanksgiving dinner.

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A Chatanika miner got jobbed by nature in good shape. He is operating near the mouth of Cleary Creek. One day when the temperature was so low the thermometers went out on strike, he put in a thaw, or rather, continued one he had started, for the points were set. All day long he fired the little boiler. He noticed that no great deal of wood was being used, and steam was easy to make and hold. In fact the little machine was blowing off every few minutes. At six o'clock he blew the whistle and was apparently well satisfied with his day's work. What was his astonishment to find on examination that the points were frozen into the ground. A little more investigation showed the feed pipe to be frozen to within ten feet of the boiler.

A Wrangell man had died and gone to heaven. Upon his arrival at the gate St. Peter asked him his name and address, which were given. St. Peter consulted the records and found that the man was entitled to enter, but informed him that a crowd from Ketchikan—who had starved to death on account of the prohibitive prices charged by their home merchants—had just arrived, and that he could not get a berth unless he could get one or two of them to come outside. The Wrangellite asked St. Peter to open wide the gate, and this being done, he yelled at the top of his voice the one word "Steamboat!" and the Ketchikan contingent fell over one another in their eagerness to get out.

A neighbor of Elmer Prescott tells this on his 13-year-old son: The day after the baby arrived at Prescott's, the man aforesaid was telling his wife, in the presence of the boy, that the "stork" had been to visit their neighbor. That day the boy got down his 22 rifle and began shooting at marks. When asked why he did this, his reply was: "These dog-goned storks are getting just a little too close to our house, and I'm going to shoot if they get any closer." So Mr. Stork had best look out, for that boy is strictly honest and always means just what he says.

Some time ago the Treadwell company threatened that if the powder trust did not treat the company fair in the matter of prices that they would put in their own powder plant in Alaska. Later two brothers started a powder plant near Wrangell. Now it is alleged that a company has been incorporated under the laws of Washington to put in a powder plant near Juneau. The advice fail to state just who are the promoters of the scheme. With the large mines using home-made powder it would make a profitable business.—Dispatch. That Wrangell factory was never started.

Be careful when you strike those big red-headed matches. When they are scratched, part of the fire often flies several feet and might be the cause of doing much damage. A lady of our acquaintance had such an experience a short time ago, when the fire from one of these matches set a pair of portieres ablaze and made things lively for a moment or two.

The Wrangell Dramatic Co., under direction of Prof. L. A. Hepburn, is now rehearsing the drama "Absence Makes the Heart Grow Fonder," which is on the boards for Tuesday evening next, February 12. The drama will be followed by a side-splitting farce entitled "My Wife will be Back Directly."

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## Alaska Sentinel.

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WRANGEL.....ALASKA.

The Russian government is still ag to let the people have elections, providing they vote for the government.

The price of gasoline has gone up again, and owners are almost beginning to wish that their automobiles ate hay.

A famous physician is experimenting with the effects of music on cats. Paying them back in their own coin, so to speak.

The man who is paying 20 cents a gallon for gasoline isn't able to figure out wherein 35-cent denatured alcohol will help much.

The Governor of Cuba will receive a salary of \$25,000 a year. It should be remembered, however, that he will have to live in Cuba.

The man who seeks divorce because his wife doesn't talk enough will be considered a fit subject for an inquiring de lunatico.

A man always finds it hard to conceal his satisfaction when he picks up another man's hat and finds that it is too small for him.

It is surprising to read that a new revolt is threatened in Russia. Many had supposed that a continuous revolt was good enough for the Russians.

In Pennsylvania there is a man who declares that his wife hasn't spoken to him for seven years. Some people will be unable to understand why he is making a fuss about it.

If James J. Hill were younger he might have hope of some day being in a position to buy the earth and sell it again at a profit of 40 or 50 per cent when the population doubles.

Sir Oliver Lodge tells us that the sun will be cold in 20,000,000 years, and what is turning our hair gray with worry is the fact that the coal supply will last only half that time.

Honor is being paid to the memory of Madoc, the Welsh prince, who is said to have discovered America in 1270. Christopher Columbus, however, does not recall hearing anything about it at the time.

Smokers who have been fearing that the disturbances in Cuba might curtail the output of genuine Havana cigars will be interested to hear that the Connecticut tobacco crop is unusually large.

Italians have erected in New York City a monument to Verdi, the grand old man of Italian music. This is the third memorial which the Italians have presented to New York. The others are the monuments to Columbus and Garibaldi.

A hoodlum is a boy whose mother and father "have no time to fuss" about him. They "guess he is big enough and smart enough to take care of himself." If a neighbor complains of his mean acts the parents think that neighbor too low down to live. The hoodlum begins his course by running wild in the street; he ends it on the gallows. But, as a general thing, his parents deserve hanging better than he does.

Marquis Ito and Field Marshals Yamagata and Oyama have been created princes by the Japanese Emperor in recognition of their services in the war with Russia, and Vice Admiral Togo has been made a marquis for the same reason. All that we can do in America to reward our military heroes is to advance them in rank, and even then the promotion of successful officers over the heads of men who have been longer in the service is fiercely criticised.

In recent years, as all readers of the papers know, it has become too common among a certain class of people to have the marriage ceremony performed under strange and unusual conditions, as on platforms at county fairs, on the top of a smokestack, etc. The cheap notoriety that attaches to this sort of marriage destroys the sanctity that should pertain to the ceremony and gives the unthinking occasion to regard it as a joke rather than a serious transaction. There is altogether too much trifling with the marriage tie already without turning the ceremony into a monkey show.

There isn't much question that most of us would get along better if a little more attention were given to mastication. If we ate less meat—indeed, less of everything; but there are so many other offenses against good physiology more serious in their results and almost equally prevalent that the layman may be excused for skepticism as to the necessity for political economists deserting their own field to push the cause of the chivers. A man who consistently chews each mouthful of custard forty-seven times through life may have a chance of living to be a 100 a fraction of a point better than the man who bolts batter cakes whole, but the latter during his shorter earthly sojourn, having his attention less closely fixed on his stomach, may actually do more good in the world than the human hashing machine.

Among the cherished memories of a certain charming old lady is that of a

week, he seemed to love me. But, afterward, as his fortune increased, his affection for me diminished. And he got so rich after a while that he said he wished I were dead." It is the story told in a New York divorce court by the wife of E. H. Tucker, a wealthy insurance broker. It is, in substance, the pitiful story told in a thousand divorce courts all over the country. It is the pathetic tragedy which, in these days of wonderful prosperity and rapid fortune-making, has blighted homes unnumbered. Money, honestly got and wisely used, is good to have. But there is not enough of it in all the world to recompense the loss of the sweet joys of the humblest home that is lit and warmed by love. Prosperity is a precious blessing to those worthy of it and able to stand it. But all the wealth of the mines and farms and factories cannot give such genuine and enduring satisfaction to the soul as does the wealth of love and faith and sacrifice that makes the home the cornerstone of civilization. The real life is not outside ourselves, but within. The real possessions are not what the hands may grasp, but what the heart may hold. A lot of men will not believe these vital truths are anything but empty abstractions. In their infatuation for the material, the practical, they recognize no values that are not marketable and see no substance in anything they cannot clutch in their palms. They must wreck a home before they can know what it is made of. They must embitter and blast their lives before they can learn what is worth while in them. To be rich and still retain the simple virtues and the honest loves—there is the real prosperity.

Five days before the great storm struck Pensacola and Mobile in September its existence and progress were announced by the weather bureau in these words: "A tropical disturbance was reported Saturday afternoon as developing south of the Grand Cayman, probable direction northwest by way of Yucatan channel." The next day its passage through the channel into the Gulf was noted, and its presence in the Gulf was reported the day after. On Sept. 25, the fourth day, the forecast said that it seemed probable that the storm would be felt somewhere between the mouth of the Mississippi and the west coast of Florida within twenty-four or thirty-six hours. It reached Pensacola the next day, and on the sixth day news of the great damage done in Pensacola and Mobile was telegraphed all over the country. Residents in the Gulf ports gave little heed to the warnings, and many lives and much property were consequently lost. Similar conditions prevailed at the time of the inundation of Galveston. The people were warned of the storm, but went about their business as usual. It is not possible to beat back the sea when it is lashed into fury, but shipping can be anchored in a safe harbor, and persons and property in exposed positions can be removed to places of greater safety. The weather bureau was not established to give employment to various persons who liked to amuse themselves by making guesses about the approach of storms. It is conducted by practical and experienced men trained in the science of meteorology. Their predictions are based on well-established principles, vindicated by a long series of experiments. An erroneous forecast is the exception, and is due to the appearance of unexpected forces to deflect air currents and change barometric pressure. Nearly, if not quite, all great storms are foretold many hours, and sometimes many days, in advance. It is much safer to heed the warnings of the weather bureau than to laugh at them. The farmer who cuts his hay when pleasant days are predicted is more likely to get it cured and safely under cover than his neighbor who ignores the daily bulletins from Washington.

## TALKS ON ADVERTISING

The merchant who gives the same attention to his advertising as he does to his sweeping, dusting and replacing stock will never argue that advertising doesn't pay.

Ten years ago the advertising expenditures of the New York department stores were less than one-half of that of today. Twenty years ago it was less than one-tenth. Thirty years it was a minute fraction. Note how these stores have prospered and broadened. Does advertising pay?

Some aggressive country merchants advertise to have on hand all of the catalogues of the different mail order houses and offer to duplicate any price found in them and to save their customers the freight charges in addition. They find this method very effective in holding their old customers and gaining new ones. The mail order house has come to stay, and its business is built up through advertising. Talking against the mail order house will not help. The country merchant must simply do more and better advertising and must meet competition as he finds it, not as he might wish it were. There is an evolution under way in the business of selling merchandise, and the man who stays in the game must be aggressive and face the music.—Bolt-var (N. Y.) Breeze.

## WOMEN AND FASHION

**Wife Should Study Her Husband.**  
"I wish girls could all be made to understand how important it is for them to study their husbands, and never stop; to know how they will be repaid if they do so, and if they try to realize that they are one, yet with two different natures, and see if they can not make the new nature part of their own, and adapt their ideas to each other."

"Oh, how close together you can grow, and how far apart you could get if you didn't stop to think and try to understand each other! I know how much I have to thank a good mother for, and I see so many young married people who seem to be gradually pulling apart without knowing the reason why."

"Never hesitate, girls, to speak frankly, in a good, friendly way, about anything. Discuss everything you are in doubt about, and make him understand that it is the little things that count with women. If he forgets some of his little attentions after you are married, don't keep your grievance to yourself; tell him of it and ask him to try to remember that it is these little things that go to make up your happiness."

"Tell him in a nice way and you will find that if you are as considerate of his thoughts and feelings he will gradually get where the little things are never forgotten, and you will find your lives growing closer all the time, and love for you greater instead of less. I

free, and in the second, it proposes to fit its pupils with special reference to service in homes of luxury. Among other things they are to study the deportment proper to such an environment. Only girls who come duly recommended will be accepted.

### Walking Costumes.



The costume at the left is of dark blue cloth. The princess or corselet skirt is made with plaits which open out below the hips. The blouse, of ba-

vogue. It is made with three bias ruffles around the bottom of the full petticoat. Over this, in thin cloth of the same shade, are draped two deep points, one back and the other front, the points falling to the bottom of the skirt, the drapery at one side going half way to the knees before it slopes away to the back and front. With the approach of winter it is prayed that the overskirt may be hauled in and a more simple effect prevail.

**Month in Which to Marry.**  
Girls who are to be married this fall may be interested in the rhyme for autumn weddings:

Married in gold September's glow,  
smooth and serene your life will flow;  
Married when leaves in October thin,  
toll and hardship you begin;  
Married in veils of November mist,  
Fortune your wedding ring has kissed;  
Married in days of December cheer,  
Love's star shines brighter from year to year.

**Work for the Fireside.**

One of the popular "fireside" industries which the clubwomen of Missouri are trying to revive is weaving, and a pretty occupation for winter evenings in the country is the weaving of portieres. The darkest bands should be at the bottom, and the colors should become lighter toward the top. Handy table looms may be bought for the



The new evening modes are of the faintest and most delightful description, with picturesqueness of effect for

their keynote, and a very wide variety from which to choose in the way of shape and design, style and color. Everything that is becoming is permissible, and no hard and fast rules are laid down as to the shape of a bodice or the cut of a skirt. It will be a difficult season, no doubt, for the dressmakers, since so much will be left to them to originate and design, but the general result bids fair to be eminently

satisfactory since individual taste will have a chance of asserting itself. As to the materials which will be most in evidence, silks and satins of the softest texture will lead the way, made up in the simplest styles imaginable, with long flowing skirts, all innocent of any kind of trimming, beyond perhaps a velvet hem, in a darker shade of the same color, as that of the gown.

small sum of \$12, and women will find it easy to use up their scraps of silk and other material in making rugs and portieres that will be quite artistic when finished, especially now when they are so fashionable.

**Look After the Nails.**  
The ugliest nails can be improved by taking the trouble to push back the hard skin that grows at the base of the nails. This should be done after the hands have been washed in warm soap and water and are still moist. A soft towel is the best thing to use for the purpose, or an ivory or bone implement, such as is sold in manicure sets.

**Monument to Pocahontas.**  
At last Pocahontas is likely to have a monument, there having been for years much talk on the subject. Among her descendants are the Randolph, Fairfax and Cabel families of Virginia, and they, with other descendants in other parts of the country, have decided to erect the monument. Ten thousand dollars have been raised to that end.

**Sad Lot of Russian Girl Students.**  
There is said to be terrible distress among the Russian girl students at French universities. Their families are ruined by the recent disturbances, are unable to send them money, and some of them are subsisting on a few cents a day.

**Women Do Odd Work.**  
Among the occupations of the women of the United States, as given in the Technical World, are those of saloon keeping and bartending. There are 2,088 saloonkeepers and over 400 women bartenders.



**La Grippe.**—This dangerous germ disease which is most prevalent at this time of year can be effectively nipped in the bud by using this prescription: Acetanilid, one-half dram, salol and soda salicylate each one dram. Make into twelve capsules and take one every three hours. Three or four are usually sufficient to arrest the worst case of grippe. We have used the same remedy for severe colds with fine results.

**Facial Neuralgia.**—Neurotic patients suffering from hemocrania or nerveache of the fifth nerve should try this remedy: Lloyd's specific of aconite, twenty drops; Lloyd's specific of rhubarb, twenty drops; Lloyd's specific of gelsemium, one dram; fluid extract of tonga, two drams and elixir aromaticum sufficient to make four ounces. The dose for an adult is one dram or a teaspoonful every two hours until cured. Four or five doses are usually necessary to make the fingers tingle, when the remedy is doing its work.

**The Onion Cure.**—There is nothing, medicinally speaking, so useful in cases of nervous prostration as the poor and humble onion. It is almost the best nerve known and may be used in coughs, colds and influenza; in consumption, scurvy, hydrophobia, gravel and kindred diseases. White onions overcome sleeplessness, while red ones are an excellent diuretic. Eaten every day they soon have a whitening effect upon the complexion. Onions correct stomach disorders and carry off the accumulated poisons of the system. They provide a blood purifier that all may freely use. Eaten raw an onion will often check a cold in the head. One small onion eaten every night before retiring is a well-known prescription for numerous affections of the head and sleeplessness.

### FIGURES ON TRADES UNIONS.

**Strength of the Movement Greatest Among the Teutonic Nations.**

Statistics of trades unionism show that there are more than 8,000,000 wage earners now affiliated with organizations throughout the world. Of these approximately one-quarter are in the United States. New York, with less than one-fifth of the population of France, has one-half as many trades unionists. In this State one in nineteen of the inhabitants is a member of a trade or labor union; in England, one in twenty-two; in Denmark, one in twenty-seven; in Germany, one in thirty-one; in France, one in fifty; in Austria, one in eighty; in Italy, one in 125; in Hungary, one in 230, and in Spain, one in 325. The number of trades unionists and the population in each of the countries named are shown in this table:

	Unionists.	Population.
United States	2,000,000	75,000,000
Great Britain	1,800,755	41,458,721
Germany	1,822,348	66,367,178
France	751,344	38,001,945
New York	383,286	7,268,804
Austria	323,069	20,150,708
Italy	260,102	32,475,253
Belgium	128,700	6,038,810
Sweden	105,000	5,293,851
Australia	100,828	3,782,943
Denmark	90,911	2,449,540
Hungary	71,173	10,254,559
Spain	58,905	18,818,086
Switzerland	48,900	3,325,022
Netherlands	37,221	5,104,137
New Zealand	27,714	772,710
Norway	16,227	2,221,477
Totals	8,119,405	346,198,844

The strength of the unions in Teutonic countries is disclosed conspicuously in the table and the English-speaking countries show a marked pre-eminence in this field. Whether this will be retained permanently is open to question. Germany has doubled the number of its unionists in four years. Austria has had a similar experience and the unions of Italy and Hungary are the creation of the last five years. Great Britain is the native home of trades unionism and there the organized working men have won their most notable political successes.—New York Sun.

### Wants New Name.

Vaughan Taylor Borgenski, of Bala, Pa., has naturally caught the simple spelling fever, so popular with President Roosevelt. Borgenski wants his last name changed to Bornet, because with his present name he is up against all sorts of perplexities.

In the first place, it is hard to spell; then it is harder to remember, and as a consequence he believes that his business as draughtsman in Philadelphia would be more profitable to him if his name were not such a "stumper."

He asserts in his petition that he is daily called many different names and that many communications intended for him are either never written or go astray because the writer is unable to remember or properly spell his name.

### Game Fowls for Ornament.

Dealers in pet stock say that suburban residents of Boston are adopting as the latest fad the raising of game chickens. The stately carriage and brilliant plumage of these belligerent fowl make them valuable for decorative purposes on the lawn to people who would, however, never dream of putting their combative qualities to the test. The dealers are prophesying that before long the old-time fancy of keeping gamecocks chained with silver chains on the lawns of fashionable country houses will be revived.—Boston Record

### QUEER ACTS OF VANDALISM.

**Noted Artists Have Been Moved to Destroy Their Own Works.**

It is perhaps not natural that men and women of genius should desire that the best of their works only should live after them and for this reason many a celebrated artist has destroyed his own pictures. When Hogarth was almost at the height of his fame he painted an interior which was somewhat severely criticised by a friend. The artist acknowledged the justness of the criticism and when his frank friend had left the studio he took a sharp knife, deliberately cut the canvas in two and then threw the pieces into the coal scuttle. There they were found the following day by one of the maids, who took the pieces home.

Some time afterward the story of the ruined picture reached the ears of a relative of Hogarth's, who thereupon went to the maid and asked her to sell him the pieces. She agreed to do so, but when she went to look for them one half had vanished. Search was made and inquiries instituted, but with no result and the relatives had to be content with half of the picture, which is now in the possession of Hogarth's descendants in Aberdeen.

Hogarth was but one of many artists who have, in a fit of discontent, destroyed their own works. Jules Flammarion, in an interesting article on the life of the late sculptor, Gerome, tells how the great artist had been working for many weeks on an ideal group symbolizing the birth of spring, when he suddenly became convinced that his treatment of the subject was wrong and with one blow of his clinched hand he reduced the graceful group to a mere mass of "inert clay."

Chartran, the famous French portrait painter, once destroyed a picture for which he was to receive \$1,000. The portrait was that of an American lady famous for her beauty. When the picture was nearing completion the husband of the lady called at Mr. Chartran's studio in Paris and requested to be shown the portrait. After looking at it for a few moments he declared that it was a very beautiful painting and that the coloring was superb, but that it no more resembled his wife than it did the empress of China.

Chartran merely bowed, laid down his brush and then, taking out his pen-knife, deliberately slashed the picture into ribbons before the eyes of his astonished visitor and showed him the door. The sequel to the story came out later, when it became known that the millionaire husband had visited the studio for the express purpose of getting the artist to make a reduction in his price.

But perhaps the most dramatic case of an artist destroying his own work occurred in New York when Gutzon Borglum, the well-known sculptor, rose early on the morning of Oct. 9 and made his way to the Belmont chapel of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, on Morningside Heights, and broke to pieces his two statues, colossal in their proportions, representing the Angel of the Annunciation and the Angel of Resurrection.

The cause of this remarkable act was due to the sculptor having been severely criticised for conceiving and executing these statues as beautiful women. When seen afterward by the excited reporters he said that he felt like a murderer, but that it was the only thing he could do under the circumstances. Mr. Borglum took away with him the heads of the two angels and one foot, which he intends to keep as souvenirs.—London Tit-Bits.

### DIAGNOSING JUDITH'S CASE.

Whenever Mrs. Peck's family showed even the faintest sign of ailing, she always sent post-haste for the family doctor, who, fortunately for all concerned, lived within the same block that contained his most anxious patron. One night Mrs. Peck's small Judith, whose appetite was usually in excellent working order, refused to eat her supper. Mrs. Peck's motherly fears were instantly aroused. There was certainly something wrong with Judith.

The child had recently been unsuccessfully vaccinated and was, in consequence, living in hourly terror of undergoing a second vaccinating experience, so Mrs. Peck considered it expedient to smuggle the doctor into the house without forewarning the little girl.

"Well," said Doctor Brown, capturing his small patient and seating her on his knee, "I hear you didn't eat any supper. What's the trouble?"

"Couldn't," replied Judith.

"Why not?"

"Don't know—just couldn't."

"Have you a pain anywhere? Does your head ache? Is your throat sore? No? Then let me see your tongue. Hum—nothing the matter with that tongue. Had anything to eat since noon?"

"Yep," said Judith, brightening at the remembrance.

"What, for example?"

"Well," admitted the patient, "I stopped at Kittle Page's after school. Her mother was having a party, and Kittle and I ate all the ice cream and cake there was left."

"Then I went to the church fair with Kittle, and they gave us doughnuts. After that we met Flossie Blake going with her uncle for hot chocolate, and we had that, and some nice little wafers besides."

"Then I went home with Flossie and ate five of the waffles that their cook was making for supper. I guess that's all, except the banana that grandma gave me."—Youth's Companion.







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## RAILWAY HORRORS OF A DAY

When a train is traveling at the rate of fifty miles an hour, passengers have a right to expect that their lives are being safeguarded by more than a single pair of eyes. It is not a difficult task to handle a train over a straight piece of track on a clear day, and under such conditions speed is not dangerous. But a heavy fog obscures the vision and ought to be a warning to the conductor of a passenger train that he must take extra precautions against accidents.

It seems that the catastrophe at Fowler, Ind., was due to the fact that the engineer could not see the semaphore which was set against him. Yet the station master must have known the conditions some time before the train was due and surely that information should have been transmitted to the station where the train would make its last stop. But apparently this official didn't comprehend the situation until the ill-fated train was almost upon him. Then he rushed out, swung a lantern and fired shots from his revolver. But it was then too late. The engineer had observed no warning and his train went thundering past only to run into the freight train that had been given the right of way. Nineteen human beings hurled into the eternity and forty-two sent to the hospital suffering pain and anguish. Constitute the harvest reaped by some one's negligence or by inadequate precautions on the part of the railway officials.

It is rare, indeed, that one railroad chronicles two serious accidents within a single day, yet the affair at Fowler was fairly outdone in horror by the shocking tragedy near Terra Haute on the same road a few hours later, when a car load of powder in a freight train exploded just as it was passing an accommodation train. Twenty-two people were roasted to death and at least thirty-five were seriously injured by this second disaster. No one seems to be able to account for it, but there is no disputing the presence of the car loaded with this deadly explosive. The press has repeatedly inveighed against the carelessness shown in transporting dynamite and gunpowder and it is high time laws were enacted to protect the people from such carelessness. If a car cannot be devised for the safe transportation of this death-dealing stuff, then its transportation by rail should be prohibited, or should be attended with every safeguard human ingenuity can devise. Certainly it should not be carried in ordinary freight cars as a part of a mixed train.

It is worthy of mention that on Saturday last, when the Big Four suffered these two horrible disasters, there were altogether nine accidents on American railways nearly all entailing a loss of life. It is as if fate were spurring congress to give the matter of railway operation its immediate and serious attention.

How much longer are we to be without protection from fire? This is the most important matter confronting the people of Wrangell today. A little less than a year ago the town was almost stricken from the map as the result of inadequate fire protection. Over an hundred thousand dollars' worth of homes, stores and goods were destroyed when the expenditure of one twentieth of that amount for a system of water works would have prevented the loss. Less than two weeks ago a fire was discovered just in the nick of time to avert another holocaust. In this case the fates were favorable, as, had the fire one more minute's headway, it could not have been stopped until its flames had licked up every scrap of inflammable substance in its path. We can not hope to be ever so fortunate as to have things in our favor as in the case of this last warning. Immediately after a fire the enthusiasm in regard to getting more fire protection is intense, but this enthusiasm is soon forgotten for the rush of business and the question is given no more thought. Did you ever notice the difference between "talking" of doing a thing and "doing" the thing by digging down into the old weasel skin and starting the thing along? Well, there is a difference; but we propose to offer \$25 to start a popular subscription or stock company for the establishment of a system of water works, the kind of system to be decided by a majority vote of the subscribers. Twenty-five dollars 3.2 per cent of the assessed valuation of this office. Let every man owning property do the same, and we can have a good water system.

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Monday, February 11, 1907

in front of the Red Men's Hall building in said town, offer for sale and sell at public auction, to the highest and best bidder (or bidders) for cash in hand on day of sale, the following described lots, parts of lots, buildings and other property described in this notice to satisfy the unpaid taxes on same for the year 1906:

Berg, Jorgen—Building and tract of land formerly known as the Magilligan property..... \$ 10 00  
Clark, Willoughby—One house and lot on Front street, opposite Penel Mission..... 2 00  
Gleason, James—One house and lot on Front street, back of Molly Kelly property..... 1 00  
Hamilton, Chas. L.—One house and lot on Stikine Avenue..... 2 50  
Knappe, Mrs.—One house and lot next Warring's..... 50  
Kasheets—One house and lot near Jim Cooney property..... 1 00  
Markworth, Harry—One lot and cabin at head of Stikine Bay..... 25  
Shakes, George—One house and lot on island..... 1 50  
One house and tract of land near Mill Creek..... 4 50  
Thomas, Bob—One house and lot near Tom Kammity..... 50  
Wakenfield, Lee H.—One house and lot on Church street..... 75  
One house or such part of same as may be within the incorporate limits of the Town of Wrangell, Alaska this 10th day of January, A. D. 1907.  
L. C. PATENAUDE,  
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